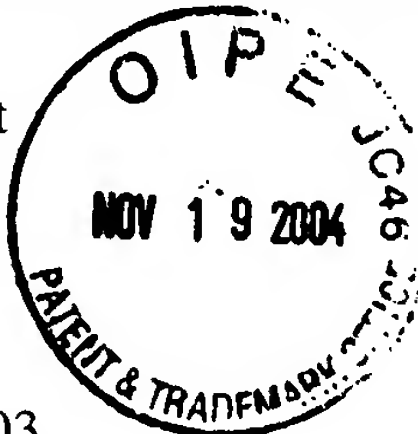


IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Richard J. Ernst
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 For: ROD HANGER FOR SECURING A
 ROD TO A SUBSTRATE
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant hereby petitions under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) for an extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.

Extension fee for response within first month:

- () By a small entity (1.9(f)) \$ 55.00
 (X) By other than a small entity \$ 110.00

Extension fee for response within second month:

- () By a small entity (1.9(f)) \$ 215.00
 () By other than a small entity \$ 430.00

Extension fee for response within third month:

- () By a small entity (1.9(f)) \$ 490.00
 () By other than a small entity \$ 980.00

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- () By a small entity (1.9(f)) \$ 765.00
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Extension fee for response within fifth month:

- () By a small entity (1.9(f)) \$ 1,040.00
 () By other than a small entity \$ 2,080.00

(X) A check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed.

(X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this petition, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. Should no proper amount be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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